

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2003-357-C - ORDER NO. 2004-84
FEBRUARY 20, 2004

IN RE: Petition of PBT Communications, Inc. for)	ORDER APPROVING	✓ RNA
Arbitration with BellSouth)	WITHDRAWAL OF	
Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to the)	PETITION AND	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.)	CLOSING DOCKET	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") on the request of PBT Communications, Inc. ("PBT") to withdraw its Petition for Arbitration ("Petition") with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") (collectively the "Parties"). By its Petition filed with the Commission on December 10, 2003, PBT requested the Commission to arbitrate certain unresolved issues in the interconnection negotiations between PBT and BellSouth.

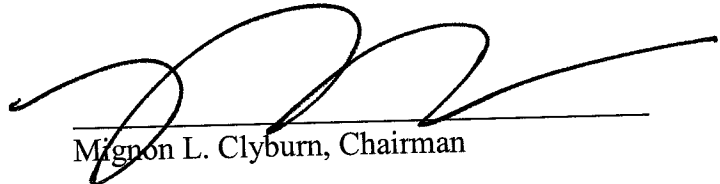
By letter dated January 30, 2004, counsel for PBT seeks to withdraw PBT's pending Petition. By its request, PBT informs the Commission that the Parties have resolved the outstanding issues and have agreed to an interconnection agreement in this matter. PBT adds that it reserves any rights PBT may have to opt into any current interconnection agreement that BellSouth has in place with another competitive local exchange carrier that may contain more favorable terms and conditions, as permitted by law.

Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission finds and concludes that the request of PBT to withdraw its pending Petition for Arbitration should be granted.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The request of PBT Communications, Inc. to withdraw its Petition for Arbitration with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. is granted, and the docket is closed.
2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Mignon L. Clyburn, Chairman

ATTEST:


Bruce F. Duke, Executive Director

(SEAL)